



# DWF\_dp\_mult\_ovfldet procedure

## Multiply and Overflow Detection

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### Description

The DWF\_dp\_mult\_ovfldet procedure multiplies the two arguments a and b, truncates the upper bits of the result to the width specified by argument *p\_width* and returns the truncated value and an overflow flag that indicates whether an overflow (or underflow) occurred. A dedicated overflow detection is used to improve the QoR of the multiplier.

**Table 1-1 Function Names**

Function Name	Description
DWF_dp_mult_ovfldet	VHDL unsigned multiply and overflow detection
DWF_dp_mult_ovfldet	VHDL signed (two's complement) multiply and overflow detection
DWF_dp_mult_ovfldet_uns	Verilog unsigned multiply and overflow detection
DWF_dp_mult_ovfldet_tc	Verilog signed (two's complement) multiply and overflow detection

**Table 1-2 Argument Description**

Name	Type	Direction	Width / Values	Description
a	Vector	Input	a_width	Input multiplier
b	Vector	Input	b_width	Input multiplicand
p	Vector	Output	p_width	Output product
ovfl	Bit	Output	1	Output overflow flag

**Table 1-3 Parameter Description (Verilog)**

Parameter	Values	Description
a_width	$\geq 2$	Word length of input a
b_width	$\geq 2$	Word length of input b
p_width	$\geq 2$	Word length of output product

Verilog Include File: DW\_dp\_mult\_ovfldet\_function.inc

## Functional Description

DWF\_dp\_mult\_ovfldet (a[a\_width-1:0], b[b\_width-1:0], z[p\_width-1:0], ovfl)

### Unsigned Multiply and Overflow Detection

```
p[a_width+b_width-1:0] = a[a_width-1:0] * b[b_width-1:0]
z[p_width-1:0]          = p[p_width-1:0]
ovfl                    = 1    if p[a_width+b_width-1:0] > 2p_width-1
                        = 0    else
```

### Signed Multiply and Overflow Detection

```
p[a_width+b_width-1:0] = a[a_width-1:0] * b[b_width-1:0]
z[p_width-1:0]          = { p[a_width+b_width-1], p[p_width-2:0] }
ovfl                    = 1    if p[a_width+b_width-1:0] > 2p_width-1-1
                        = 1    else if p[a_width+b_width-1:0] < -2p_width-1
                        = 0    else
```

NOTE: For signed multiply, the truncated output keeps the sign of the non-truncated result (corresponds to the 'resize' function in VHDL).

For more information about the DesignWare datapath functions, refer to the topic titled [DesignWare Datapath Functions Overview](#).

## Related Topics

- [DesignWare Datapath Functions Overview](#)
- [DesignWare Building Block IP User Guide](#)

## VHDL Example

```
library IEEE, DWARE;
use IEEE.std_logic_1164.all;
use IEEE.numeric_std.all;
use DWARE.DW_dp_functions.all;
-- DWARE.DW_dp_functions_arith package if IEEE.std_logic_arith is used

entity DWF_dp_mult_ovfldet_test is
  port (a, b, c : in  unsigned(7 downto 0);
        z       : out unsigned(7 downto 0));
end DWF_dp_mult_ovfldet_test;

architecture rtl of DWF_dp_mult_ovfldet_test is
  signal p      : unsigned(7 downto 0);
  signal overflow : std_logic;
begin
  DWF_dp_mult_ovfldet (a, b, p, overflow);
  z <= p + c when overflow = '0' else "11111111";
end rtl;
```

## Verilog Example

```
module DWF_dp_mult_ovfldet_test (a, b, c, z);

    input  [7:0] a, b, c;
    output [7:0] z;

    reg    [7:0] p;
    reg          overflow;

    // Passes the parameters to the function
    parameter a_width = 8;
    parameter b_width = 8;
    parameter p_width = 8;

    // add "$SYNOPSISYS/dw/sim_ver" to the search path for simulation
    `include "DW_dp_mult_ovfldet_function.inc"

    always @* begin
        DWF_dp_mult_ovfldet_uns (a, b, p, overflow);
    end
    assign z = (overflow == 1'b0) ? p + c : 8'b11111111;

endmodule
```

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